

ASTORIA ACHIEVES TWELFTH GREAT SUCCESS

The mid-day of the Astoria regatta showed a marked improvement on the first, in every way. The sun shown brighter, the wind was fuller, the program was more elaborate, the hours schedule were better observed and crowd was bigger, the zest and snap and realizations of the day were ampler, and there was absolutely no "dragging;" everybody was possessed of a lively, friendly, joy-hunting spirit that served its end wonderfully in making it a record-breaker for entertainment.

At 10 o'clock the grand stand and the water front was a solid mass of people, out for the best of times, and pleased with anything and everything; and if there was a hiatus of any sort, it was filled in by the volunteer fun of the host, and the laugh was kept humming along with the swing of the music and the splash of the tides, the shouts of the boatmen and the hailing of the megaphones. And just when all hands were feeling happy and easy, the signal came that the lovely sovereign and her court were coming and amid the thunder of band music and the acclaim of the great crowd, Queen Esther entered the grand stand on the arm of Admiral Kuettner, preceded by the young ladies of the navy and the queen's middies. She returned the courtesies of the morning with the people and then went aboard the steamer Electro which had been turned over to the royal party for a cruise on the bay, by Dr. McKeon, of the federal hospital service, and as she left the Flavel pier, the crowd settled down to watch the unfolding of the fine program arranged for the day.

The first thing to engage their attention was the log-rolling contest between Messrs. Spencer and Peterson, which, for half an hour made any amount of genuine fun for the on-lookers. Spencer won the trick by forcing his colleague into the water three several times. A snappy single-scutt race was then pulled off, between Patton and Gloss over a mile and a half course, Gloss taking the event without any sort of trouble. The same race will be rowed this morning with a minute and a half allowance in favor of Patton.

George Beard, Ivers Johnson and Wesley Welch then treated the crowd to the humor of a greased pole contest for the flag and \$5 in cash which was captured handsily by Beard. But it was funny enough if no one had won it. The fishboat rowing race was then called and started with three entries, and which resulted in the success of J. Taraborchia, with Anton Pinich second, and N. Taraborchia third.

In the double canoe race which followed Gloss and Gansmiller were the winners. The canoes were then brought over to the grand stand and the fun of the hour was increased notably by the tilting contests which ensued and which was thorough appreciated.

The star event of the forenoon then took place. It was the cutter race between two crews and boats from the warship Dogalia, and was the most precise and methodical engagement of the day. The boats got a superb start from the flagship and went over the course to the blare of whistles and cyrens and brass bands and water-level daylight was never seen between them all the way over. They finished with a magnificent spurt and less than a boat-length to spare, and as they swung down in front of the grandstand the

lusty, hearty lads got all that was coming to them in the way of grateful acknowledgement from the huge multitude on the water front, winners and losers alike, blue-flag and white-flag; the encores were for the boys and the ship they represented and by way of thanks for a notable and pleasurable event. And on top of the shore demonstrations, the yards and spars of Dogalia sent forth howls of approval and shouts of pride from the sailors that covered them like flies. It was an inspiring sight.

Water polo then got its first start in Astoria, two teams having entered for the event, one led by Will Utiger and the other by Mervin Troyer, and the fun in the water between the floating wickets, the big rubber ball and a shouting, struggling mass of youngsters was a pleasant innovation to Astorians, and the visiting host and won hearty and frequent applause but, unluckily there was a foul called and the game was passed up for repetition this morning.

The single pleasure-boat race was taken by the young brother of Ed Gloss in easy and deliberate fashion. And this was followed by an ardent event in the tug of war line, between crews of two in two fishing boats and was a mighty contest of endurance, but like all things else, had its victory and its defeat, but just who they fell to was beyond reportorial ingenuity to find out.

The Chinook Indian canoe race was one of the features of the morning program, with Chief George Charlie in command of one and White Cap in charge of the other. The get-away was fine and the race well sustained over the entire course, but the winning provision lay in the "capsize" at the end of the run, which counts in the sum-up of the event, and though the chief won in distance, White Cap took the honors by reason of his crew being the most expert in righting and bailing the canoe quicker than their competitors.

The double pleasure-boat race was won handsily by Rennie and Paquin and was a pretty affair from start to finish. The race of the gasoline launches came to naught by reason of a misunderstanding as to the course, and will be made good this morning.

After due honors had been paid to the demands of luncheon, the busy, jolly crowd re-assembled at the thousand points of vantage along the city waterfront, and made ready for the spectacles of the afternoon. They were not kept waiting long for entertainment, as event after event was performed with speed and precision, and all the accompaniments of fun and uproar and music. There was a fine net-throwing contest, inshore, that was a revelation to thousands who had never seen the trick done that serves the world's tables with the salmon of the Columbia, and it was cheered to the echo. The swimming race between men was abandoned, and a contest called by George Beard and Wesley Welch, Beard taking the honors and the cash prize for a quick swim from the Fisher dock to the grand stand. There was a pretty contest between a bunch of Whitehall sailors that engaged the interest of the multitude; a fishboat sailing race that was well carried out in the fair, stiff wind that prevailed all the afternoon; a free-for-all yacht race in which the Zephyr, Comet and Hoot Mon participated, issuing from the contest



QUEEN ESTHER.



ADMIRAL KUETTNER.

in which Boost came out winner with Gansmiller second; and a gasoline fishboat race with a goodly number of entries and a clever wind-up, and a multitude of lesser events, including some bicycle races, foot races and fun-making sports ashore.

There was strong interest manifested in the pigeon shoot at the west end of the Flavel pier, one 10-bird and two 20-bird shoots, with eight entries. W. B. Feckheimer, of Portland, won the first by 9, with Charles Bays and Jack Ryan close behind him with 8 apiece; in the second Mr. Feckheimer won by 19 birds, Bay taking 17, and in the third, Feckheimer captured 18, Bays being credited with 17 again. In the two last shoots, A. E. Peterson scored 1 and 16 birds, respectively, and Charlie Wise took 14 and 15 respectively. There was lots of "glad-hand" given the gunmen and the event was one of the best of the day; it was unique, and enlisted the immediate interest of hundreds, who were glad of a change. There will be a free-for-all shoot this afternoon at the same place and hour, for a handsome cup and a purse, and it is hoped there will be a large attendance and lots of entries.

The baby-show at the old Hess restaurant was among the happy events of the day, though it was marked by a foul and shabby trick played upon the genial chairman of the committee, Frank J. Carney, whose simple and straightforward Irish soul was shocked by the consequences. It seems that there was a concerted plan in the committee to start a rank misunderstanding about something or anything, and then pull out, and leave the onus and weight of the awful responsibility upon the shoulders of the devoted chairman, and it was done to the "queen's taste," if not to Carney's. But the reprehensible gang gained nothing by their desertion at the critical hour, for Mr. Carney, with the courage of his forebears, never flinched to the dread task, entered upon his scrutiny of the fifty-odd babies that confronted him and gave them careful and deliberate attention, summoning a cold and callous front and demeanor against the blandishments of the solicitous mothers and doing his duty with a desperate boldness that has won him a niche in the local temple of fame (wherever that may be); one by one he overhauled the squirming, crying, goo-gooing mass of midget humanity, and one by one he passed strict judgment upon the qualities they presented for special mention and award and at last, perspiring, blanched of face, trembling of hand and gasping for breath, he

summarized the results of his inquiries in the following report:

Prettiest baby, one year class, girl, Elizabeth O'Brien.
Prettiest baby, one year class, boy, Richard Klepper.
Prettiest baby, two year class, girl, Minerva Charlotte Holzman.
Prettiest baby, two year class, boy, Elmer Oim.
Fattest baby, girl, Clatsop Princess, Indian.
Fattest baby, boy, Leo Lahampara.
Smallest baby, girl, Nora Bassel.
Smallest baby, boy, Lester Tibbetta.
Best behaved baby, boy, George H. Langford, Jr.
Most musical baby, girl, Julia Matthews.
With most hair, girl, Helen Frederickson.
With least hair, boy, Dan Hannula.

Mr. Carney's family physician has ordered his immediate departure to some mountain retreat, incontinent brain trouble having declared itself as a result of the mental strain to which he was subjected. The only consolation accruing to this high-spirited and self-sacrificing citizen, is, that he did his whole duty when others, with paltry and cowardly purpose, abandoned him at the very moment of deadly peril. It is hoped he may soon recover his wonted cheerfulness and his organic Celtic mental balance. His heroism is without parallel in the annals of Astoria.

The Farmers' Fair was the center of extraordinary attention yesterday, and the spaces about the exhibits were impassable for hours. Comment of surprise and commendation upon the scope and beauty of the fair, were heard on every side and it has become a proverb that the agricultural display is a fixture of all forthcoming regattas. There are superb specimens of everything that appertain to the farm, garden, dairy; and side-shows of every line of kindred supplies in the way of harness, wagons, implements, and lots of extras to please and interest those to whom the science of food production has allurements. The Portland Flouring Mills company yesterday, through Messrs. Ross, Higgins & Company, placed a barrel of "Olympic" flour at the disposal of the fair committee to be used as a premium and it will be assigned today. The stock show will be held between 10 and 3 o'clock today. Owing to the condition of the streets adjacent, the parade has been abandoned, and the stock will be on exhibition on the vacant lot on Fourth street, between Astor and Bond streets. Ten fine

head of cattle arrived for the stock exhibit yesterday evening and it will be well worth the close attention of horsemen, dairymen and farmers, and it is hoped they will be there in force. The judges will pass on the stock and horses at 1:30 p. m. at the yard above mentioned.

Among the pleasing incidents of the day was the visit of Queen Esther and Admiral Kuettner, Mayor Wise and United States Senator Fulton, with a bevy of the aides, both ladies and gentlemen, at a dinner given by Captain the Marquis Cappomozza, on board the cruiser Dogalia last evening. The genial captain took this means of finding an opportunity of expressing the sincere delight he and his officers have had in the regatta and the deep appreciation all have for the courtesies shown by the city of Astoria and the committee and officers of the water festival. And it goes without saying that with such a representative group of guests on board, the officers of the ship were made thoroughly aware of the sense of obligation under which the community lies for the graceful concession made in keeping the ship here during the regatta.

The Queen's reception at the home of Admiral and Mrs. F. D. Kuettner, No. 661 Exchange street, last night, was the crowning social event of the day, and hundreds availed themselves of the opportunity to pay their respects to the pretty young sovereign who has borne her dignities and honors with grace and modesty for the past two days, and who has lent a definite charm to the entire regatta period.

The land sports pulled off yesterday afternoon on Bond street, were full of vim and interest, and only that space forbids, the events, the entries and the winners would be named in this issue, but must be deferred until tomorrow.

The events of the afternoon were carried off without a hitch to mar them and the immense crowds again enjoyed the sport to the fullest. The Whitehall sailing race came off in good style, with the following results: First, Robb; second, Morgan; third, A. M. Wright; time, 1:18:12.

The race for 6 h. p. gasoline fishboats resulted in: First, N. Driscoll; second, Wroten & Gray; third, H. Bennett.

The results in the fishboat sailing race were: First, M. Taraborchia; second, C. Christensen; third, Dominic. Time, 1:18:41.

In the evening the marine parade attracted the whole city to the water front, and the docks were lined for blocks with spectators.

This feature of the regatta is undoubtedly the most spectacular and enjoyed by the greatest number of persons of any other single event. The long line of boats stretching out for almost a mile and each craft, from the largest to the smallest, illuminated with a myriad of china lanterns and ablaze with red fire, Roman candles and sky-rockets formed a picture of rare beauty.

At 9 o'clock the sudden blast of the whistles of the entire fleet announced to the crowd that the parade was on and there was a general rush for the docks. The flagship Heather was in the lead, with the other boats following. The sight was such that an involuntary cheer broke from the spectators and continued until the line had passed. The two powerful searchlights of the Italian cruiser Dogalia were turned on the boats as they passed and everything was reflected on the waters of the bay in flashing silver and red gold. The line of march was from Smith's point past the city to Tongue Point and return.

Among the boats in the parade were the Heather, Patrol, Pilot, Lottie, Independence, four yachts, A. Booth, Betty, Electro and Major Guy Howard, together with many small launches and fish boats. The awards for the best decorated and illuminated boats were not completed last night, the committee expects to have this done some time today.

Today the great bench show of fine bred dogs will take place, under the expert and interested supervision of Chairman Ed. Llewellyn and his committee colleagues, Messrs. Max Pohl and Gus Schoenbuehler. There will be sixty-four splendid canines in the kennels and about fourteen classes. The kennels have been built in the west wing of the new court house, on the ground floor and so arranged as to give every entry all the room and comfort possible. All will be Clatsop dogs and it is expected there will be a big attendance. It will be thrown open to the public about noon today and will be kept open (till the regatta closes at midnight. The gentlemen in charge have worked intelligently and faithfully to make this exhibition a prime success and it will undoubtedly be numbered among the star elements of the "Twelfth Annual," as it should be.

PROGRAM FOR TODAY.

9:30—Arrival of Queen.
9:45—Single scull, consolation, Trophy.
10:00—Double canoe, Trophy. Log rolling, Trophy.
10:15—Four oared race, Trophy.
10:30—Gasoline fish boat race, 4 h. p. 1st, \$25; 2nd, \$10.
10:40—Indian Canoe race.
11:00—Gasoline launch race, under 20 h. p. 1st, \$30; 2nd, \$10. Grand stand sports, \$10.
11:15—Cutter, \$25.
11:20—Tug of war, 1st, \$20; 2nd, \$10.
1:30—Live stock parade.
2:30—100-yard, free for all, Commercial street, 1st, \$5; 2nd, \$2.
2:40—Potato race, 1st, \$2.50; 2nd, \$1.
2:50—50-yard, boys under 12, 1st, \$2; 2nd, \$1.
3:00—Sack race, 1st, \$2; 2nd, \$1.
3:00 to 5:00—Band concert, County Fair and Dog Show.
50 yard race, boys under 12, 1st, \$2.50; 2nd, \$1.00.
50 yard, girls under 14, 1st, \$2.50; 2nd, \$1.
Fat men's race, 200 pounds, 50 yards, 1st, \$5; 2nd, \$2.50.
Barrel rolling race, 1st, \$3.00; 2nd, \$1.50.
Sack race, 1st, \$2.50; 2nd, \$1.50.
Blindfold race, 7st \$3.00; second, \$1.50.
Skip rope race, girls, 1st, \$2.50; 2nd, \$1.50.
Boys under 12, 1st, \$2.50; 2nd, \$1.50.
Tug of war, boys under 16, 1st, \$5.00; second, \$2.50.

At the "Star"—The Star Theater was crowded again last evening and standing room was at a premium. No attraction ever brought to the city has secured such a patronage. The show advertises itself as everyone who attends is anxious that his friend and neighbor should see it. When Manager Gervutz announced that he would give an attraction that would meet with the public approval he certainly knew what he was talking about. The entertainment is one of the most refined and amusing ever presented in Astoria and this is attested by the thousands of people who are anxious to gain admission to the theater. It might have been aptly termed an "all star" combination, as every one on the programme excels in his particular line. The moving pictures are probably the most amusing of any ever produced, and keep the audience convulsed with laughter. Tonight and tomorrow night will be a repetition of the performance of last night and the theater is certain to be crowded.

SERIOUS EXCESSES.

BUCHAREST, Roumania, Aug. 30.—Serious excesses marked an anti-Greek demonstration at Galatz today. A thousand demonstrators after listening to fiery speeches marched through the streets wrecking many grog shops and finally assembled in front of the Russian consulate, the windows of which

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